

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

September 29, 2008

H.R. 3022

Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks Wilderness Act of 2008

As reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on September 16, 2008

H.R. 3022 would designate nearly 115,000 acres within the Sequoia National Park and the Kings Canyon National Park in California as either wilderness or proposed wilderness. Based on information provided by the National Park Service (NPS), CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 3022 would have no significant effect on the federal budget. The acreage to be added to the National Wilderness Preservation System is currently managed as wilderness by the NPS. We expect that any costs to revise NPS brochures, maps, and signs to reflect the new designations would be minimal because most such revisions would take place in conjunction with scheduled reprinting and routine maintenance.

The legislation contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

On May 21, 2008, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 3022 as ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on May 14, 2008. The two versions of the legislation are very similar; neither version would have any significant estimated cost.

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